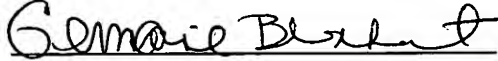


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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Sir:

Preliminary to the examination of the above national phase application, please amend the same as follows.